

SPRINGFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

APPROVED BY THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE, 2/7/07

MANDATORY SUMMER SCHOOL POLICY*

Summer school will be required for students who would normally be eligible for promotion from grade five to grade six and from grade eight to grade nine who are performing below average in their academic grades for ELA/Reading and Mathematics and who are not meeting grade level standards based on MCAS performance below 220 in both subject areas. Documentation of below average academic performance for students new to the Springfield Public Schools, may include standardized test scores from another state/district or mid-year scores on content exams.

District Formative Assessments (DFA) mid-year results (January-February) will be reviewed to confirm that the student is still not meeting grade level standards. If the mid-year score on the DFA or third and fourth marking period grades show substantial progress towards proficiency, the student will be removed from the summer school list.

Students will be required to attend and pass summer school as a condition of promotion to the next higher grade (grade 6 or grade 9).

*This policy must be reviewed following the 2007 Summer School and brought to the School Committee for reconsideration.